

City of Charleston

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LAND AREA

Peninsula land area:	2013
GIS calculated area (excluding water):	approx. 8.0 sq miles
GIS calculated area (including water):	approx. 110 sq miles
	approx. 129 sq miles

ANNEXATION

	2011	2012
Area Annexed:	86.49 acres	91.55 acres
Persons Annexed	270	320
Housing Units Annexed	117	144

CENSUS DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2010
City of Charleston Total Population	96,650	120,083
West Ashley	45,954	54,239
Peninsula	35,157	34,636
James Island	12,741	17,847
Johns Island	1,676	5,266
Daniel Island/Cainhoy	1,122	8,095
Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville MSA	549,033	664,607
City Racial Breakdown	34.0% Black 63.0% White	25.6% Black 68.6% White
City Per Capita Income	\$22,414	\$30,763
City Median Household Income	\$35,295	\$49,448
City Median Family Income	\$48,705	\$67,400
City Persons Per Household	2.23	2.18

(Source: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census data & American Community Survey data)

POPULATION ESTIMATES

	2012	2013
City of Charleston Total Population	122,782	125,691
West Ashley	55,245	56,746
Peninsula	34,668	35,163
James Island	18,192	18,589
Johns Island	5,624	5,933
Daniel Island/Cainhoy	9,053	9,260

(Source: City of Charleston building permit and annexation data)

BUILDING PERMITS (residential)

	2011	2012
Total Single & Multi-Family Unit Permits Issued	860	1,406
West Ashley	236	790
Peninsula	24	285
James Island	33	54
Johns Island	139	167
Daniel Island/Cainhoy	428	110

(Source: City of Charleston building permit data)